



## KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ADVISORY GROUP TOPIC SUMMARY

**ADVISORY GROUP:** Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC)

**MEETING DATE:** August 12, 2021

**Agenda Item:** 702 KAR 1:195E, Face Coverings in School Facilities- Jason E. Glass, Ed.D., Commissioner of Education

**Presenters:** Jason E. Glass, Commissioner, Kentucky Department of Education

**Summary of Discussion:** Commissioner Glass presented the details of the emergency regulation 702 KAR 1:195E. The regulation is necessary to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Kentucky public schools and prevent public school closures during the 2021-22 school year due to COVID-19. Specifically, this emergency regulation requires all individuals inside public school facilities to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth, absent an exemption set forth in the regulation.

**Action Taken:** Approval of 702 KAR 1:195E as presented, and to instruct the Commissioner to monitor guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Kentucky Department for Public Health (DPH) and immediately call a special meeting of the KBE to consider withdrawal of 702 KAR 1:195E if either CDC or DPH relax their recommendations of universal masking in K-12 schools.

**Follow-up Required:** Monitor; as needed.